

PATENT APPLICATION
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Jean-Pierre ROMBEAUT, et al.

Attorney Docket No. Q68009

Appln. No.: Unknown

Group Art Unit: Unknown

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For: A ROUTER PROVIDING CONTINUITY OF SERVICE OF THE STATE MACHINES
ASSOCIATED WITH THE NEIGHBORING ROUTERS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

7. (Amended)A router according to claim 6, in which said list further includes the
state of the state machine after a Database Description Packet exchange.

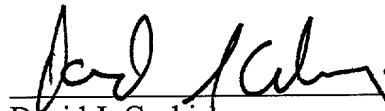
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REMARKS

Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPENDIX

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE CLAIMS:

The claims are amended as follows:

7. (Amended) A router according to ~~the preceding claim~~ claim 6, in which said list
further includes the state of the state machine after a Database Description Packet exchange.